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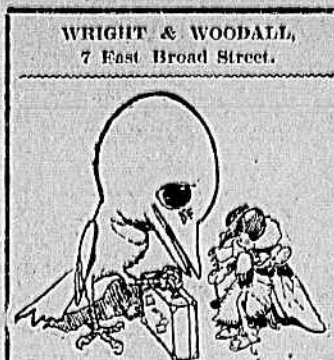
Thought to be Too Ill to Get Out of Bed, But Takes French Leave.

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TAEZEWELL, VA., Sept. 24.—William Whitaker, who has been confined in the county jail about a week, escaped last night. The sheriff has been scouring the country for him without success. A reward of fifty dollars has been offered for his arrest. Whitaker is a very desperate man. The cause of his arrest was the killing of Noah Altizer on Whitaker's farm several weeks ago. Whitaker was shot by some unknown person immediately after killing Altizer, and County Physician Palmer removed the bullet from him in the county jail here yesterday.

On account of his subsequent sickness and his weakened condition, he was given good many privileges. He was allowed to sleep in the jailer's room, which is a little more commodious than the common cells, and a guard has been staying with him since the operation. Whitaker and the guard and the jailer were all sleeping in one room. Whitaker in bed by himself.

The guards thought him too weak to attempt to escape, but when they awoke this morning Whitaker's bed was empty, his clothes and hat were gone, and the conclusion was soon reached that the prisoner himself had taken French leave. Whitaker was wanted in West Virginia for the murder of Noah Altizer having taken place on the Virginia side.

Thomas Leidy, accused of murder, was also in the same room, but refused to leave.



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Supreme Court.

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STANTON, VA., September 24.—The following are the proceedings of the Supreme Court of Appeals in session here yesterday:

Messrs. E. B. Templeton, William E. White, Jr., and E. S. McAllister, qualified to practice in this court.

The case of S. M. Yost vs. Mary A. Bamey, etc., from Circuit Court, Rockingham county, argued and submitted.

Case of J. W. F. Allomong vs. Charles Callett, trustee, Circuit Court of Rockingham. Argued and submitted.

The proceedings to-day were as follows:

Case Frederick Gwinner vs. Calvin Alcham, Circuit Court of Augusta county. Argued and submitted.

Argument was commenced in the case of Virginia Portland Cement Company vs. Luck's administrator, from Circuit Court of Augusta county.

The next case to be called will be the American Agricultural Chemical Company vs. Kennedy & Crawford, from Circuit Court of Augusta county.

For the Davis Monument.

The following amounts have been received by the treasurer of the Jefferson Davis Monument Association, since last report: Christian County Chapter, Kentucky, \$5; John S. Marmaduke, Missouri, \$19; Mrs. J. B. Richardson, Louisiana, eleven sets of pictures, \$15; from sale of Shepard's pictures, \$15; Sidney Johnston Chapter, Arkansas, sale of buttons, \$4.30; H. O. Morton, Bramwell, W. Va., \$5; Mississippi Division, \$5; Camp Hardee, Alabama, \$5; Pelham Chapter, Alabama, \$5; Atlanta Chapter, Atlanta, Ga., \$5; H. J. Banks, Georgia, \$1; R. W. Hunter, Georgia, \$1; General McGlashan, Georgia, \$1; Colonel Cobb, Georgia, \$1; Colonel Robert Howard, Georgia, \$1; L. Nobles, Georgia, 50 cents; G. L. Walker, Georgia, 25 cents.

Student's Body Still Here.

The remains of Sangi Ogawa, the Japanese student at Randolph-Macon College, who died at Hampton Va., about a month ago, is still at the undertaking

parlors of Richardson and Chappell, 501 West Main street.

It will be several weeks before any information is expected from his people in Japan. Many of his friends, both in and out of the city have called to see his remains.

The body is in a perfect state of preservation, and certainly reflects great credit upon the professional skill of Mr. Richardson, who prepared it. It will doubtless be a source of great comfort to his people to receive the body in such life-like condition, after having been dead so long a time.

Negro Industrial School.

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SUFFOLK, VA., September 24.—At the session of the Bethany Baptist Association, colored, which closed to-day at Piney Grove, Nanamond county, it was decided to establish a normal and industrial school where children will be taught cooking, sewing, nursing, farming and trades. About one hundred churches were represented. A board of trustees, of which Rev. M. B. Huckle is temporary chairman, was appointed to look after the proposed school.

McCarthy Speaks to Them.

The first big meeting of the season at the Central Young Men's Christian Association, will take place this afternoon in the auditorium of the building. The service will begin promptly at 8.30 o'clock. The soloist will be Miss Belle Powell, of the Second Presbyterian Church, choir, His Honor, Mayor Carlton McCarthy, will be the speaker, and his theme, "A Fight to the Finish."

THE FEMALE NORMAL SCHOOL.

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The four new members of the faculty have received a most cordial welcome. Miss Laetitia M. Snow, a graduate of Woman's College, Baltimore, and of the University of Chicago, is in charge of the work in physiology, nature study, botany and zoology. Miss Mamie Whitling, who taught formerly at Hampton College, is proving most successful with the literature and reading classes. Miss Eloise Harrison, of Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tennessee, is a popular assistant in mathematics. Miss Yen Cox, who has made a fine record in her two years' work at Teachers' College, is a supervisor in the training school and assistant in manual training.

The carpenters are busy as teachers and students. During the summer the main building has been repaired and freshened from top to bottom. Excellent new floors, freshly colored walls, and clean white-painted woodwork everywhere, present a most inviting appearance, and give to former students, who remember their old, dingy apartments, a delightful surprise. The battered, old beds, too, have been replaced by neat, simple white iron beds. In short, one is astonished at the amount of work accomplished during the vacation, which testifies loudly to the fact that President Jarman and Mr. Cox, who have been planning and superintending, have been extremely busy.

The workmen are now pushing work to complete the entrance and reception hall, which has been moved farther east and considerably enlarged. When finished it will be one of the most attractive parts of the building. The new, three-story court wing, in which the floors are being laid, contains a spacious, well-arranged assembly hall and many new dormitories. Under the present administration the entire plant is undergoing a radical transformation, which is most pleasing and satisfying. Never has a season begun with more promise.

The Young Women's Christian Association gave a reception to the new students on Friday evening, September 16th, an interesting programme carried out was as follows:

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